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1. On 27 February 1954, the Ludwig Kaserne in Zittau quartered an artillery unit. Six trucks towing 122-mm field howitzers left the Kaserne. Each truck carried 12 to 14 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 1 officer. Fifty soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets arrived at the installation from Frankenberg.¹
2. Between 24 March and 21 April 1954, the Panzerjaeger Kaserne in Spremberg was occupied by tank units numbering about 2,000 men. The troops engaged in infantry training and tank driving practice in the terrain. Training drives were made as far as the area of Nockten, where tanks practiced firing with live ammunition. The tanks were of type T-34/76 and T 34/85.²
3. On 18 March, Camp Hutweide was occupied by about 400 soldiers who wore red epaulets, black epaulets and blue epaulets. Camp Niederschlag quartered about 200 troops. They wore red, black and blue epaulets.³
4. On 17 April, Camp Hutweide near Baerenstein quartered a KVP tank unit.³

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. The AAA regiment and rocket launcher battalion of Mechanized Division Dresden are held in Zittau, in addition to the howitzer artillery regiment.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The medium tank regiment, the heavy tank SP regiment and the tank training battalion of Mechanized Division Dresden are located in Spremberg. The total strength of the units is estimated at 1,600 men.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. Elements of Mechanized Regiment Marienberg, probably the tank battalion and the artillery battalion, are quartered in camps Hutweide and Niederschlag.

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